

Application number 09/620,308  
Amendment dated October 31, 2005  
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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

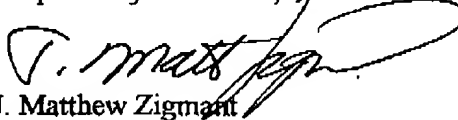
After entry of this amendment, claims 2-19, 22-23, and 25 will be pending in this application. Claims 24 and 26-28 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 20, and 21 were previously cancelled. Claims 2-9 and 18 have been amended. Claim 25 has been rewritten in independent form. Support for the amended claims can be found in the specification. No new matter has been added.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal notice of allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415-576-0200.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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